

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 574
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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Dr. Bertie Leon Holladay
of Centerville.

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness and a profound sense of loss that the members of this General Assembly and the citizens of our state learned of the death of Dr. B.L. Holladay; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Holladay will be fondly remembered as the backbone of the Centerville medical community; his outstanding achievements in medicine were highly regarded; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Holladay was a distinguished citizen of the state of Tennessee who was very dedicated to his profession, community and family; and

WHEREAS, the son of Carlie B. and Josie Nevada Crider Holladay of Huntingdon, Bertie Leon Holladay graduated from Huntingdon High School, where he was the valedictorian; of his class; and

WHEREAS, after his graduation from high school, B.L. Holladay attended Bethel College and served with acumen with the Civilian Conservation Corps; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Holladay proudly defended his nation in the United States armed forces during World War II, bravely serving in the United States Army from 1941-1945; he was in charge of a 1,000-bed hospital in India and was later discharged with the rank of captain; and

WHEREAS, in 1951, Bertie Leon Holladay received his medical degree from Vanderbilt University Medical School; and

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WHEREAS, for 14 meritorious years, Dr. Holladay practiced medicine in Linden, where he helped to establish the Perry County Hospital and served with distinction on the Perry County Court; and

WHEREAS, in 1969, Dr. Holladay and his family moved to Centerville, where he was active in numerous civic endeavors, including service on the Centerville Board of Mayor and Aldermen for six exemplary years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Holladay was an active and devout member of the Centerville Church of Christ, which he served as a Deacon for several years; and

WHEREAS, the legacy Dr. Holladay leaves behind will be remembered and treasured by friends and associates for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Holladay enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Texie Wagner Holladay; he was the proud parent of Judy Holladay, Jan Holladay Foster, Joseph W. Holladay and Jay B. Holladay; and the proud grandfather of four grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, he was also the cherished brother of Maydene Holladay Asbury, Sue Holladay Hale, C.B. "Jack" Holladay and Wendell G. Holladay; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should pause in its deliberations to remember the exemplary life of this fine Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor the memory of Dr. Bertie Leon Holladay, remembering with admiration his exemplary character and his many selfless contributions to the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Dr. B.L. Holladay.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.